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Dear Mr. Weiss:

I have enclosed some information on the Haystack uranium property. I'm not sure if this data is enough. If you have additional specific requests please let me know. I an in the field most of the summer, so the best way to contact me is by mail. Good luck with your project.

Sincerely,

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Geologist

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## FEDERAL URANIUM CORP. Section 2L, 13-11

Federal Uranium Co. operating as Santa Fe Corp. operated on Sec. 24 during 1954 and 1955 mining shallow limestone ores in open pits. About four pits were stripped and mined by the end of 1957 when the work was terminated. Production totaled 24,638 tons of .22% ore.

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## HAYSTACK MT. DEVELOPMENT CORP. Section 19, 13-10 (Santa Fe R.R. Co.)

Sec. 19 belongs to the Santa Fe Railroad. When uranium was discovered here in 1950, Santa Fe organized the Haystack Mt. Dev. Corp. to explore and mine the property. The new road from the Bluewater mill to this Todilto Bench area was completed in Sept. 1954. The Bluewater mill had started processing limestone ore in Sept. 1953.

Haystack did considerable shallow drilling on closely spaced centers and managed to keep production at 150 to 200 tons per day until Feb. 1956 when the operation turned to cleanup work. Some ore was mined from adits driven in from the edges of the old pits. Henri Dole obtained a lease on several Santa Fe sections to explore for and mine the remaining ore obtainable from open pits and he also recovered some ore that had been discarded in the waste piles.

Total production from Sec. 19 has been 137,310 tons of .20% ore. The first production was in the 4th quarter of 1951.